REMARKS

Applicant cancels claims 2-4. Claims 1 and 5-7 remain pending in the application.

Applicant amends claim 1 to incorporate features that correspond to those of claims 2-4, and amends claim 5 to properly depend from claim 1. No new matter has been added.

Applicant, again, acknowledges with appreciation the Examiner's finding that claims 4-5 contain allowable subject matter. Accordingly, Applicant amends claim 1 to incorporate features that correspond to those of claims 2-4, and amends claim 5 to depend from claim 1. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner, thus, allow claim 1, together with claims 5-7 dependent therefrom.

Claims 1 and 6-7 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 7,085,827 to <u>Ishizaki et al.</u>; and claims 2-3 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over <u>Ishizaki et al.</u> in view of U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0189936 to Terrell et al.

Again, Applicant amends claim 1 to incorporate features that correspond to those of claims 2-4, of which the Examiner found those of claim 4 to contain allowable subject matter. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner allow claims 1 and 5-7.

In view of the remarks set forth above, this application is in condition for allowance which action is respectfully requested. However, if for any reason the Examiner should consider this application not to be in condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned attorney at the number listed below prior to issuing a further Action.

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